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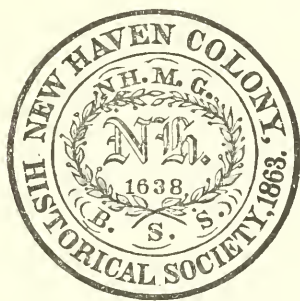


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MEETING NOVEMBER 20, 1916. ALSO
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FOR 1916-1917



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President's Address

(At the Annual Meeting of the Society, November 20, 1916.)

We have come to the end of another year in the history of our Society, and in accordance with what is now an established custom I will endeavor to lay before you a summary of the year's happenings. The record contains nothing of an extraordinary nature, and therein differs but little from preceding years. But we have tried to fulfill our duty to our members and to the public, and we like to think that in the papers presented here there has been a genuine contribution, albeit along a specific line, to the intellectual life of the city. And there seems to be an increasing interest in the historic treasures which are here preserved and displayed for the pleasure and profit of those who may come to see and study them.

MEETINGS AND PAPERS

We have held during the year eight meetings, and at each a paper has been read, followed by the usual social gathering. December 20, 1915, the Rt. Rev. Edwin S. Lines, Bishop of Newark, sometime President of this society, and now an Honorary Member of it, read a paper entitled "Jared Ingersoll and the Stamp Act, 1765." It was through the vigilance of Bishop Lines while he was President of the Society that the Ingersoll letters and papers came into its possession, and, therefore, to his interest in the subject of his paper was added a personal interest in the sources of his information. These letters and papers are among the most valued treasures of the Society, and Bishop Lines in presenting his paper was carrying out a plan which he had had in mind ever since their acquisition. It was an exceedingly interesting account of an interesting episode in the early history of the country, and of the man who was the principal

actor in it. On January 17, 1916, Prof. Franklin B. Dexter presented a paper the subject of which was "Rev. Harry Crosswell, D.D., and His Diary." Dr. Crosswell was rector of Trinity Church from 1815-1858, and was long a conspicuous figure in the life of the city. Prof. Dexter sketched his career somewhat in detail, and by numerous quotations from his famous Diary, now preserved in the University Library, drew an interesting and illuminating picture of the man. The next paper, on February 21, 1916, was read by W. Lanier Washington, Esq., of New York City, on "Homes of the Washingtons in England and Virginia." It was illustrated, and was a delightful and instructive presentation of one phase of a subject which will ever have its fascination for the people of our land. At the meeting on March 20, 1916, John M. Holcombe, Esq., of Hartford, read a paper entitled "Colleges and Universities of Colonial Times." It was a carefully prepared account of the origin of our oldest seats of learning, and of their earliest days, and brought together many valuable facts in an interesting and instructive way. Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D., of Middletown, read the paper on April 17, 1916, taking for his subject "Jonathan Law, Governor of Connecticut 1742-1751." The paper had special reference to the volumes of the Jonathan Law Papers recently published by the Connecticut Historical Society. It furnished an interesting insight into the character and work of this early Colonial Governor. At our meeting held May 15, 1916, a paper prepared by Mrs. Eugene S. Bristol on "Colonial Music in New England" was read by Mrs. Williston Walker. It was a delightful presentation of this fascinating subject. At the same meeting Mrs. Henry Champion read a letter written by Deborah Champion in which she gave a graphic description of her ride from Westchester, Conn., to Boston with dispatches to General Washington. At the last meeting of the year on October 23, 1916, Prof. Franklin B. Dexter read a paper entitled "The Removal of Yale College to New Haven in 1716." It was suggested by the University's elaborate celebration of this event and was the Society's recognition of it. The Paper was written from the New Haven rather than the College point of view, and was a most valuable contribution to a remarkable commemoration.

DEATHS OF MEMBERS.

Few years have seen so many names removed from our roll by death as the year just passed. Let me read the list of those who have been taken from us:

Frank W. Pardee	Died Nov. 18, 1915
Benjamin R. English	Died Dec. 4, 1915
Arthur W. Wright	Died Dec. 19, 1915
Joseph H. Townsend	Died Jan. 7, 1916
John C. Schwab	Died Jan. 12, 1916
Max Adler	Died Jan. 15, 1916
Thomas H. Russell	Died Feb. 2, 1916
Miss Emily Betts	Died Apr. 26, 1916
Timothy Dwight	Died May 27, 1916
David Daggett	Died July 3, 1916
Mrs. Andrew W. Phillips	Died July 28, 1916
Samuel Lloyd	Died Aug. 6, 1916
Mrs. Sherwood S. Thompson	Died Aug. 8, 1916
Joseph Anderson	Died Aug. 18, 1916
John A. Timm	Died Aug. 28, 1916
Epher Whitaker	Died Sept. 1, 1916
James M. Whittemore	Died Sept. 6, 1916
Isaac W. Brooks	Died Oct. 17, 1916
Nathaniel L. Garfield	Died Oct. 29, 1916

The number of those who have died is nineteen, and of these Rev. Epher Whitaker was an Honorary Member, and lived in Southold, L. I. He was in the ninety-seventh year of his age when he died. Prof. Arthur W. Wright was a Life Member.

Now if I do not speak in detail of each one on this lengthy list you will understand that it is not because much might not be said, but because the list is so long. I can not refrain, however, from saying a few words about one or two. In the death of Benjamin R. English the Society lost one of its most valued members and Directors. It was no perfunctory service which he rendered this Society. He was profoundly interested in its welfare, and he was always willing to do what he could to aid in its upbuilding. When Mr. English was taken away the city lost a rare citizen, and the Society an exceedingly useful member. Ex-President Dwight's death removed a familiar figure from the community. To Yale University he had rendered conspicuous service, and was honored and loved by a host of men scattered

throughout the land. He had a keen interest in this Society, and manifested it by his presence here at the meetings, even when the infirmities of age made it difficult for him to attend. John C. Schwab, the distinguished Librarian of Yale, died at the height of his usefulness. In the midst of his splendid work for the University he was stricken down, and the University and the community suffered an irreparable loss in his death. His intellectual gifts were of a very high order. He was a true Christian gentleman. Rev. Joseph Anderson, a man of God, beloved of men, went to his rest after a long life of service. His great interest in historical and antiquarian matters led him to organise the Mattatuck Historical Society of Waterbury, of which he was President when he died. His death takes from us a man of fine gifts and wide interests. Bear with me till I speak of one more. As fine a type of citizen as our city has ever had was lost to us when Max Adler died. No worthy cause sought his interest in vain. He was a great-hearted man. He delighted in doing good.

I turn from this enumeration of those who have died during the year convinced that very definite steps should be taken at once to enlarge our roll of members. We can not suffer such losses without being appreciably weakened thereby. With the substantial growth of the city there must be many, who, if personally approached, would accept membership in the Society. Ought we not, then, to inaugurate a vigorous campaign for new members? This is a matter which should receive most careful consideration not alone from the Directors, but from the Society as a whole.

GIFTS.

Reference was made in my address a year ago to the Simeon E. Baldwin gift of \$1,000 to establish a fund for copying "Ancient Writings in Public Offices existing in the Ancient Bounds of New Haven County." During the year Gov. Baldwin has added \$2,500 to that fund. I take this opportunity, in behalf of the Society, of expressing deep appreciation for this most generous gift. In this connection I am able to say that one of our members, Miss Ethel Lord Scofield, has been employed during the year in copying Vol. III of the early Town records. The work will proceed as fast as the funds will permit. I am

able to say also that Prof. Dexter, as a labor of love, is engaged in copying for the Society a small volume of records which he unearthed in the Town Clerk's office. They belong to the years around 1655. They are not Town records, but Notes of the Selectmen. If this should prove of sufficient interest to warrant its publication, it would seem as if the Society ought to take the matter under consideration.

To our collection of portraits there has been added during the year a fine portrait of Caleb B. Bowers, Esq., a former Director of the Society, and long deeply interested in it. The portrait was the gift of his son, Mr. Edward A. Bowers, and of his daughter, Miss Fannie A. Bowers, who had it specially painted for the Society. There has also come to the Society the portrait of Lieut. Col. Henry C. Merwin of the 27th Conn. Vol. General Samuel E. Merwin, brother of Col. Merwin, had this portrait painted for the Henry C. Merwin Post of the G. A. R., which now turns it over to us "for perpetual care."

A gift of unusual interest and value to us is a copy of Sir Walter Raleigh's History of the World. It belonged to John Dixwell, and was left by him in his will to James Pierpont. This information is given in Pierpont's own handwriting on the title-page of the book, now somewhat frayed and worn. It is a relic of peculiar interest to New Haven people, and it is most fitting that at last it has come, after its years of wandering, to this Society, where it will henceforth have its permanent resting place. We are indebted for it to Mr. William S. Pardee, one of our Directors, who, when he learned of its existence, and that it could be obtained, promptly purchased it and presented it to the Society.

Carefully packed in barrels and stored in the basement of the building is the fine collection of Colonial China made by the late Frank H. Hooker, Esq., which has been loaned to us by his daughter Miss Elizabeth R. Hooker, and his son Mr. Clarence R. Hooker. We ought to place this on exhibition as soon as possible.

In addition to the things mentioned there has come to us as usual a steady stream of smaller curios and relics of local historical interest. We are glad of course to get these treasures,

and preserve them, and exhibit them. The time is not far distant, however, when lack of space will demand a rearrangement of things, and a reassortment, with the end in view of making room for those which have the greatest historical interest and antiquarian value. This might necessitate the publication of a new Catalogue, but then it won't be long before we shall need to consider the advisability of such publication anyway. The last Catalogue was issued in 1907, and since that time many additions have been made to the Museum. The value of a catalogue which shall be a true guide to the things exhibited is apparent when we bear in mind that the number of visitors is increasing, and it will be greatly to their profit and pleasure to be able quickly and accurately to identify the various objects of interest.

Now, this concludes my recital of the year's doings. That more might be done I am well aware. That more ought to be done I am equally well aware. But like so many societies of a kindred nature ours suffers from its financial limitations. I believe, however, that the New Haven Colony Historical Society is of sufficient importance in the community to deserve and get larger support from its interested and wealthy citizens. I have a vision for it which may be long of realization, which may never be realized. It is the vision of an institution which shall be not only the depositary of the relics of bygone days, relics of local historical interest, but a museum of fine arts as well, where the things which men cherish and collect and admire shall be brought together for the delight and edification of the people. It is not too much for New Haven to aspire to something of the sort. We believe of course that nothing is too good for New Haven, and all that is needed for the realization of a dream like this is some of that far-seeing constructive civic pride which has impelled men on elsewhere to do large things for their city. This Society ought to be endowed to such an extent that it will not be necessary for it to depend upon a fluctuating membership for its income. The objects for which it exists and the purpose which it tries to serve in the community are altogether too important for that. Organized a little more than half a century ago, and beginning in a small way, it has come through many

vicissitudes to its present position, and abundantly justified the faith and zeal of that little band of men, who, feeling the need of some such organization within the limits of the ancient New Haven Colony for the "preservation of our local records and traditions," set in motion the machinery which resulted in the formation of the New Haven Colony Historical Society. Housed as we have been for some time now in our own beautiful home, which so eloquently speaks of the filial devotion of one of our public-spirited citizens, we ought, by our own efforts, to be able to do all that in reason we desire to do, and all that the community expects us to do. Bespeaking then a larger and keener interest from you in the Society, in its work and in its growth, I bring to an end my annual message to you.

WM. A. BEARDSLEY,
President.

Treasurer's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 10, 1916.

Balance on hand November 10, 1915.....	\$3,620.29
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Receipts.

Annual dues collected.....	\$1,500.00	
Income from General Funds.....	145.00	
Income from Fowler Fund.....	200.00	
Income from Bowers Fund.....	100.00	
Income from Lines Fund	225.00	
Income from Jones Fund.....	50.00	
Income from Sizer Fund.....	140.00	
Income from S. E. Baldwin Fund.....	162.50	
Income from Endowment Fund.....	690.00	
New Haven City Burial Asso., Rent 1 year	224.00	
Sale of Books and Papers.....	25.00	
Life Memberships, two of \$50 each.....	100.00	\$3,561.50
Legacy to establish F. W. J. Sizer Fund...		6,000.00
		\$13,181.79

Payments.

Salary Librarian and Curator.....	\$ 900.00	
Salary Janitor	360.00	
Cost of fuel and removing ashes.....	467.21	
N. H. Gas and Water Co's.....	114.66	
S. N. E. Telephone Co.....	48.00	
Repairs to building.....	74.50	
Insurance.....	84.00	
Supplies for Janitor and Ladies' Auxiliary	72.99	
Books and papers.....	44.85	
Lectures and Entertainments.....	76.56	
Printing and delivering annual re-		
port	\$90.35	
Printing, postage and stationery....	72.68	163.03

Genealogical Records.....	\$ 85.66	
New rug.....	\$11.45	
Sundries	33.05	44.50
Copying ancient writings in public offices...		95.85
Deposit in New Haven Savings Bank, Life Membership Fund	100.00	
Deposit in New Haven Savings Bank, balance income S. E. Baldwin Fund.....	34.15	
Deposit in Connecticut Savings Bank, principal S. E. Baldwin Fund.....	32.50	
Deposit in National Savings Bank, income F. W. J. Sizer Fund.....	140.00	
Investments, F. W. J. Sizer Fund.....	5,755.34	
Deposit in New Haven Savings Bank, income A. E. Lines Fund.....	225.00	\$8,918.80
Balance on hand		\$4,262.99

INCOME.

Fowler Library Fund, in memory of William L. Fowler.—Income for the purchase of such Reference Books, Manuscripts, or other Historical Documents as the Committee may deem advisable, including articles appropriate for permanent exhibition in the Society's collections.

Balance November 1, 1915.....	\$848.60	
Income from Investments.....	200.00	\$1,048.60
Books and papers purchased.....		39.50
Balance on hand.....		\$1,009.10

Dwight E. Bowers Memorial Fund.—Income to be used for publishing Early Connecticut Town and Church Votes and Records, and for the Purchase of Books published in or relating to Connecticut, including Genealogies connected with Connecticut History.

Balance November 1, 1915.....	\$ 83.70	
Income	100.00	\$183.70
Books and papers furnished.....		85.66
Balance on hand		\$98.04

Augustus E. Lines Memorial Fund.—Income to be used towards defraying the cost of the publications of the Society.

Balance November 1, 1915.....	\$645.32	
Income from Investments.....	225.00	
Interest from Savings Bank.....	14.02	
Balance deposit N. H. Savings Bank..		\$884.34

S. E. Baldwin Fund.—For Copying "Ancient Writings in Public Offices, Existing in the Ancient Bounds of New Haven Colony." Of this fund 20% of the annual income is to be applied to the principal for a period of fifty years.

Account Principal:

Balance November 1, 1915.....	\$20.20	
Income from Investments.....	32.50	
Interest from Savings Bank.....	.76	\$53.46
Balance Connecticut Saving Bank, Account of Income:		
Balance November 1, 1915.....	\$80.80	
Income from Investments.....	130.00	
Interest from Savings Banks.....	2.85	
	\$213.65	
Expense copying records.....	95.85	
Balance New Haven Savings Bank...		\$117.80

Frederick William Jones Sizer Fund.—Income to be used for the purchase and preservation of Biographies and Genealogical Records of interest to the Society.

Income from Investments.....	\$140.00	
Deposit National Savings Bank.....		\$140.00

Life Membership Fund.

Balance November 1, 1916.....	\$793.21	
Deposit New Haven Savings Bank.....	100.00	
Accrued interest.....	32.54	
Balance deposit N. H. Savings Bank..		\$925.75

Publication Fund.

Balance November 1, 1915.....	\$84.78	
Accrued interest.....	2.62	
Balance New Haven Savings Bank...		\$87.40

Special Fund for Cards and Catalogues.

Balance November 1, 1915.....	\$68.92	
Accrued interest.....	2.78	
Balance New Haven Savings Bank...		\$71.70

INVESTMENTS.

General Funds.

Boston Electric Light, 5%, 1925, par.....	\$1,500.00	
N. H. & Derby, 1st 5%, 1918.....	1,000.00	
Adams Express, 4%, 1948.....	500.00	
Deposit New Haven Savings Bank.....	698.22	
Deposit Connecticut Savings Bank.....	1,330.81	
Deposit National Savings Bank.....	497.25	\$5,526.28

Fowler Memorial Fund.

American Telephone & Telegraph, 4% bonds	\$5,000.00
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A. E. Lines Memorial Fund.

Connecticut Railway & Lighting Co., 4½, 1951.....	\$5,000.00
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Dwight E. Bowers Memorial Fund.

Norwich Gas & Electric Co., 5%, 1927....	\$2,000.00
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Evelina J. Jones Memorial Fund.—Income to be used for the general uses and purposes of the Society.

Norwich Gas & Electric Co., 5%, 1927....	\$1,000.00
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Special Fund for Cases and Card Catalogues.

Deposit New Haven Savings Bank.....	\$71.70
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Publication Fund.

Deposit New Haven Savings Bank.....	\$87.40
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Life Membership Fund.

Deposit New Haven Savings Bank.....	\$925.75
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Simcon E. Baldwin Memorial Fund.

Catletsbury, Kenova & Cerodo Water Co.	
5%	\$3,000.00
Delaware & Hudson Co., 5%	500.00 \$3,500.00

F. W. J. Sizer Fund.

\$8,000 N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 3½, 1954,	
cost	\$5,755.34
Cash on hand awaiting investment.....	244.66
Legacy from Estate Katherine M. Sizer...	\$6,000.00
	\$29,111.13
Add Endowment Funds.....	20,369.22
Totals	\$49,480.35

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. ROOT, *Treasurer.*

New Haven, Conn., November 20, 1916.

We hereby certify that we have examined the above account,
and checked the securities mentioned and find same correct.

RUTHERFORD TROWBRIDGE,
GEORGE D. WATROUS,
Auditors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF ENDOWMENT FUND.

Received interest on bonds	\$690.00	
Received interest on deposits	14.88	\$704.88
Paid George A. Root, Treasurer.....	\$690.00	
Balance added to principal.....	14.88	\$704.88

The fund is invested as follows:

6 Consolidated R. R. bonds.....	\$6,000.00	
5 Western Union Telegraph Co.....	5,000.00	
4 Pere Marquette R. R.....	4,000.00	
2 St. Louis, Iron Mt. & Southern R. R....	2,000.00	
1 New Castle & Shenango Valley R. R....	1,000.00	
1 New Haven School District.....	1,000.00	
1 Baltimore & Ohio Equipment.....	1,000.00	
Deposit National Savings Bank.....	161.77	
Deposit Conn. Savings Bank.....	222.33	\$20,384.10

The interest on the Pere Marquette R. R. bonds was defaulted, has been since 1914.

RUTHERFORD TROWBRIDGE,
Chairman.

New Haven, Conn., November 18, 1916.

This is to certify that we, the undersigned, have this day examined the books and vouchers of Rutherford Trowbridge, Chairman, and find the same to be correct and the securities to be in his possession and kept in a safe deposit box of the First National Bank.

ELI WHITNEY,
GEORGE D. WATROUS,
Auditors.

New Haven, Conn., November 18, 1916.

Report of Librarian and Curator

(YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 1916)

The Library

In addition to reports and publications of various societies, the Library has received the following accessions:

American Ancestry: ten volumes.
Barber's History of the United States.
Barber's New Haven in 1831.
Colonial Dames: National, Connecticut and New Hampshire Societies.
Connecticut Children's Aid Society.
Connecticut in the Geologic Past.
Connecticut: Journal of the House and Senate.
Connecticut in Queen Anne's War.
Connecticut Register and Manual.
Connecticut State Library Report.
Connecticut Statutes.
Day's Algebra. 1836.
Day's Plane Trigonometry.
Early Days of the Connecticut Valley.
Early Marriages in Massachusetts.
Episcopal Academy of Connecticut, Alumni List.
Fair Haven: Historical Sketch.
Franklin and Free Ships.
Genealogical Advertiser, 1898.
Genealogical Bulletin, 1903.
Gettysburg National Park Commission.
Greeley's American Conflict.
Greenfield, Mass., Vital Statistics.
Hanover, Mass., Vital Statistics.
Historical Scenes in the United States.
Jews in the Eastern War Zone.
Josephus' Works.
Loomis' Algebra, 1880.
Loyalists in West Florida.
Mary Lyon, Founder of Holyoke Seminary.
Mary Mattoon, Heroine of the Revolution.
New England Houses.
New Haven Charter Revision, 1894.
New Haven City Year Book, 1872, 1875.

New Haven Grays, Fiftieth Anniversary.
Notes on the New Testament, 1794.
Once upon a Time in Connecticut.
Oread Collegiate Institute, Worcester: Alumni List.
Origin of the United States Flag.
Pease, Albert S., Poems and Autobiography.
Pennsylvania, The Making of.
Pilgrim's Progress.
Polk, Leonidas: Bishop and General.
Porter, Edwin Griffin: Memoir.
Refugee Loyalists in Connecticut.
Railway Library; Sixth Series.
Raymond, Paul Bradford: Memoir.
Representative Men of Connecticut.
Roxbury Land and Church Records.
Salisbury (Conn.) Vital Statistics.
Shakespeare's Tercentenary.
Signers of the Declaration of Independence.
Sons of Revolution in State of New York.
Southold, Long Island, Celebration.
St. Thomas's Parish Year Book, 1916.
Towne & Holbrook's Fifth Reader.
United Church, New Haven, Directory, 1916.
Washington, Booker: Memorial Addresses.
Washington, General George: Journal.
Wesley's Sermons.
Winchester, Mass., Town Report.
Windham, Maine, in Past and Present.
Woodstock Vital Records.
Wooster, William Burr: Memoir.
World's Peace Foundations.

Also the following Genealogies and Family Histories:

Alling	Harrison	Sargent
Ayres	Huntington	Scoville
Beecher	Knox and Souter	Shelton
Benjamin	Maxwell	Skidmore
Bouton	McFarland	Stickney
Bowen	McHarg	Street
Burt	Odiorne	Sutton-Dudley
Castor	Phillips	Taylor
Chapman	Pierce	Tuttle
Crafts	Ryerson	Valentine
Dudley	Robinson	Waldo
Eastman	Sackett	Watson
Fuller	Sage	Yale

Additions to the Museum

1573. Memorandum Book of John W. Barber, 1832-1882.—*Edwin Oviatt*.
1574. Copy of The National Pilot, New Haven, Sept. 26, 1822.
1575. Books and Papers of The Calvary Church Home, now extinct.—*E. S. S.*
1576. Bronze Medal, commemorating the 300th Anniversary of the Dutch Settlement of New York, and the 250th Anniversary of the Organization of the New York Board of Aldermen.—*The Holland Society of New York*.
1577. Wedding Shoe of Mary Clap Wooster, March 6, 1775.—*Mrs. Eli Whitney*.
1578. Collection of Envelopes issued during the Civil War.—*Eli Whitney*.
1579. Two Henry Rifles, among the first manufactured by the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., known as "Beecher Bibles."—*J. Davenport Wheeler*.
1581. Staff, used by Dr. Hosea Dutton, of Oxford, who died in 1826.—*Miss Lounsbury*.
1582. Linen Stockings: the Flax was raised on the farm of Timothy Lounsbury, Bethany, Conn.; spun, twisted and knit by his wife, Hannah French.—*Miss Emma Lounsbury* (grand-daughter).
1583. Silk Dress, made in 1879.—*Miss Lounsbury*.
1584. Deeds, signed by Timothy Lounsbury, Jr., and his ancestors. Preserved by his seventh son, Dr. Lounsbury, who died in 1895.—*Miss Lounsbury*.
1585. Teapot, history unknown.—*Mrs. W. P. Nicholson*.
1586. Dish, from the house of Jefferson Davis in Richmond. Gen. Terry occupied this house as his Headquarters, and gave this dish to Edward C. Beecher.—*Mrs. E. C. Beecher*.
1587. Pitcher, representing head of George Washington.—*Mrs. Beecher*.
1588. Commission (framed) of Henry Bronson, as Colonel of Second Regiment, First Brigade, Fourth Division, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.—*Mrs. Geo. A. Harmount*.
1589. Bronze Medal, awarded to Henry Hooker & Co., by the International Exhibition at Sydney, N. S. W., in 1879.—*Hooker Estate*.
1590. Badge Pin, Second Pan-American Congress, Washington, 1879.—*S. E. Baldwin*.
1591. Musket, presumably used in the Revolutionary War.—*Wm. H. Hotchkiss*.
1592. Four Scrap-Books, formerly Books of Accounts (1804), containing many curious and interesting items.
1593. Three Indian Dolls.—*Mrs. Geo. A. Harmount*.
1594. Piece of Marble from the State House, 1888.—*Henry M. Osborn*.

1595. Two Fire Buckets, marked: R. S. Prescott.—*Henry M. Osborn.*
1597. Record Book of the Veteran Firemen's Association of New Haven, 1879-1888.—*George W. Corbusier.*
1598. Collection of China, mainly Plates. Gathered by the late Frank R. Hooker, and loaned to the Society by his family.
1599. Signet Ring of Rev. Peter Prudden, First Pastor at Milford, Conn.—*Miss Lillian E. Prudden.*
1600. Sir Walter Raleigh's History of the World. John Dixwell's copy, and left by him to James Pierpont.—*Wm. S. Pardee.*
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The Society has a number of copies of the "Winchester Notes," prepared by the late Mrs. Justus S. Hotchkiss.

"Chronicles of the New Haven Green," by Henry T. Blake.

The Trowbridge Genealogy.

The Ashley Genealogy.

The Champion Genealogy.

The Hoadley Genealogy.

And several others, which are offered for sale or exchange.

The regular publications of the Society now comprise eight volumes, consisting of the more important papers that have been presented at its meetings.

Any of these works can be obtained, by application to the Librarian.

Constitution

(Adopted November 13, 1899. Amended November 19, 1906.)

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as THE NEW HAVEN COLONY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ART. 2. The object of the Society shall be to collect and preserve such books, pamphlets, newspapers, broadsides, maps, plans, charts, paintings, engravings, lithographs, and other pictorial representations, manuscripts, autograph letters, curiosities and antiquities of every kind as may be connected with or may illustrate the local history of the towns included within the ancient New Haven Colony; to preserve such traditions as now exist only in the memories of aged persons; to encourage historical and antiquarian investigation and to disseminate historical information.

ART. 3. A President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary and an Assistant Secretary, and a Treasurer shall be chosen at the annual meeting in November. At the annual meeting next following the adoption of this Article an Advisory Committee of not less than nine nor more than fifteen members shall be chosen: said committee to be arranged in three equal groups; the first to serve for three years, the second for two years, and the third for one year. At each subsequent annual meeting not less than three nor more than five members of the said committee, as the previous (October) meeting of the Society may fix the number, shall be chosen to serve for three years. If no action is taken by that (October) meeting the number shall be the same as that of the group of members whose term expires that year. It shall also be within the discretion of the Society to choose honorary members of the said committee, not to exceed five in office at any one time, from among those who have served as officers or as members of the Advisory Committee; said honorary members to be appointed in permanency with power of voting in meetings of the Directors.

ART. 4. These officers shall together constitute a Board of Directors, who shall have charge of the collections made by the Society, shall provide regulations for their safety and proper use, and shall prepare business for the regular meetings of the Society.

ART. 5. Any person may become a life member of the Society by the payment of fifty dollars; or an annual member by the payment of five dollars.

ART. 6. The Mayor of the City of New Haven, the President of Yale University, and the Town Clerk of New Haven, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Advisory Committee.

ART. 7. The Society shall hold its meetings on such evenings as the Directors may appoint.

ART. 8. The collections made by the Society shall never be broken up by sale nor by division among its members, nor shall they ever be removed from New Haven; nor shall any article be exchanged or disposed of except by the unanimous vote of the Directors, or by the consent of the donors.

ART. 9. The Constitution, with the exception of the eighth article (which is of the nature of a contract), may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting; provided, that notice of such amendment shall have been given at some meeting at least one month previous.

By-Laws

I. Life members, wherever resident, and annual members residing within the limits of the ancient Colony, or the present County of New Haven, shall alone be entitled to vote in the meetings of the Society. Any person who shall sign the usual form of application for membership and present it with the endorsement of a Director of the Society, and with the payment of the annual fee of \$5, shall thereupon be enrolled as a member from the date of such payment; and the term of all annual memberships shall expire with the annual meeting next after subscriptions are paid.

II. Honorary and Corresponding members may be chosen by ballot at a regular meeting of the Society, upon nomination of the Directors; provided such nominations shall have been made at a previous regular meeting. They shall consist of persons residing out of the Colony and County of New Haven, who may be distinguished for important public service to the cause of historic investigation and general literature.

III. A committee of three shall be annually appointed at the October meeting of the Society to serve as a Nominating Committee and to report nominations for officers and members of the Advisory Committee in season for action at the annual meeting of the Society, but nothing in the action of the Nominating Committee shall limit the right of any member of the Society to make nominations at the annual meeting for any office that may be filled by the action of that meeting.

IV. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Directors; shall call, by himself, or the Secretary, special meetings, when requested by five members; and shall deliver or make provision for an address at the annual meeting. In his absence, one of the Vice Presidents shall perform the duties of President.

V. The Secretary, or in his absence the Assistant Secretary, shall have custody of the files, records and seal of the Society, and shall keep an accurate journal of its proceedings, and also of the proceedings of the Directors, and conduct the correspondence of the Society.

VI. The Treasurer shall receive all fees for membership, and all other moneys due, and all donations or bequests of money to the Society; shall pay, upon the order in writing of the President or of the Chairman of the committee by whom the same may be contracted, all accounts against the Society; and shall, at least five days before the annual meeting of the Society in each year, render to the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors of the Society a minute statement of his receipts and disbursements and of the property and debts of the Society to and including October 31st of each year, which statement shall be carefully examined and certified to by said committee before being presented by the Treasurer at the annual meeting.

The Treasurer shall be annually bonded at the expense of the Society in such a sum as the Finance Committee shall direct, in some reliable surety company, approved by the Finance Committee, and such committee is charged with the responsibility of such security being effected as aforesaid.

VII. The Directors may appoint a Librarian and a Curator, who shall, under their supervision, arrange, protect and catalogue all books, pamphlets, manuscripts and other articles

deposited in the rooms of the Society; and shall, before every annual meeting, make a full report to the Board of the condition of the library and collections.

VIII. The Directors shall provide each year for the public reading of papers, or delivery of historical lectures; the manuscripts of which papers and lectures shall, with the consent of the authors, be owned and preserved by the Society.

IX. Committees on the various departments of the work of the Society shall be appointed by the Directors to report as the Directors from time to time may prescribe.

All members of such committees shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are appointed.

X. An Executive Committee, consisting of five Directors, to whom the Directors may entrust such part of their duties as they judge best.

XI. A Finance Committee of three who shall advise with and direct the Treasurer respecting the care and investment of the funds of the Society and be the standing auditors of his accounts. They shall annually inspect the securities in which said funds may be invested and certify to the results of such inspection in writing.

XII. A House Committee, consisting of five members, who shall have general oversight of the building, its use and the arrangement of its contents, with power to receive or decline gifts other than those which are offered specifically to the historical collections of the Society.

XIII. A Committee on Relics, consisting of five members, who shall have power to receive or decline such gifts as may be offered as additions to the historical collections in the custody of the Society, shall ascertain as far as possible the authenticity and history of the objects now preserved in its care, and shall give attention to increasing these collections. This committee shall also be charged with the duty of preparing or revising a catalogue of the Relics in the custody of the Society when requested to do so by the Directors.

XIV. A Publication Committee, consisting of the President and Secretary and three members, who shall have charge of the publication of the papers of the Society as authorized by the Directors.

XV. A Library Committee, consisting of five members of whom the Librarian shall be one, whose duties shall be to increase the collections of books and documents which are or may be of historic interest.

XVI. A Membership Committee, consisting of three members, whose duties shall be to maintain and increase the membership of the Society.

XVII. A Committee to arrange for the reading of papers, consisting of President, Secretary and three Directors.

XVIII. A Ladies' Auxiliary Committee, numbering five or more, may be appointed by the Directors to act under the direction of the Executive Committee.

XIX. 1. The Directors shall meet at least four times a year and at such other times as the President may specify; and seven shall constitute a quorum.

2. The Society shall meet monthly except during the summer months.

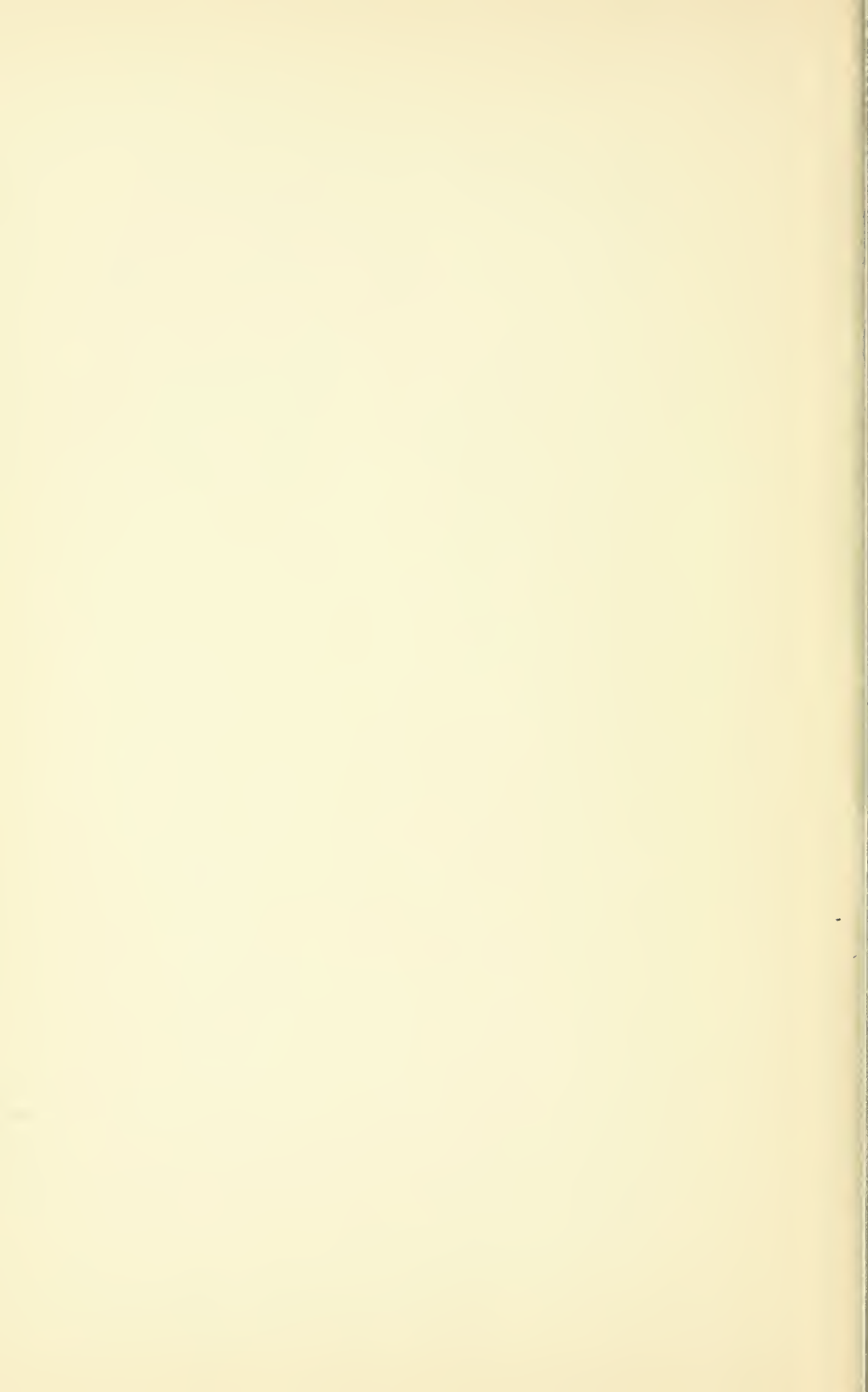
XX. Notice of the Annual Meeting of the Society, which shall be held in November, shall be sent to each member by mail, and in all meetings duly called and notified fifteen members shall be a quorum for the transaction of any business.

XXI. The order of proceedings at the meetings of the Society shall be as follows:

1. Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting.
2. Report of donations.
3. Reading of letters received in correspondence.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Written communications or lectures.
6. Verbal communications.
7. Miscellaneous business.

XXII. All donations to the Society, and deposits with the same, shall be entered in a book kept for that purpose, and reported to the next regular meeting of the Society, and proper written acknowledgments shall be made therefor.

XXIII. Any alteration of these by-laws may be made at a regular meeting of the Society, such alterations having been proposed at a previous meeting, or proposed by the Directors.



Objects Desired for the Society's Collections

1. **Manuscripts.** Family papers, letters, diaries, military rolls, deeds, wills, records of extinct churches, business houses, or public corporations, such as turnpike companies, etc.

2. **Printed Matter.** Local histories, family genealogies, files of Connecticut newspapers (bound or unbound), reports of anniversaries of towns, churches, etc., and of Connecticut religious, educational, mercantile or social institutions. Anything printed in the Thirteen Colonies or the United States prior to 1800. Any books or pamphlets, published in New Haven, whether before or after 1800, down to the present time.

3. **Cabinet.** Portraits of well-known Connecticut men and women, badges, medals, flags, swords, Indian relics, historic china or plate, and other memorials, especially those which illustrate local or American history.

The Society has appointed a Committee on Relics, having charge of all questions relating to the acceptance and disposition of antiques, curiosities, paintings, etc., and of the general arrangement of its Collection. All gifts intended as additions to these sent to the Society will receive the prompt attention of this committee.

Needs of the Society

1. An enlarged Library Fund. At present the Library is chiefly dependent on the Fowler and Bowers funds, which produce an income of \$300 per annum. It is the purpose of the Society to build up a small and well selected Library rather than to accumulate large numbers of books. Small sums producing a regular revenue would be of great assistance to the Library, though larger funds are much needed.

2. The further endowment of the Society by gifts to its General Fund or by testamentary bequests.

3. *An increase in the membership of the Society.*



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